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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated December 14, 2007, setting forth a three-month shortened statutory period for response to expire on March 14, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks. However, if any extension of time is necessary, this is an express request for any necessary extension of time and authorization to charge any required extension of time fee or any other fees which may be required to preserve the pendency of the present application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.